



Meeting Notes
6:30PM December 9, 2013
Public Safety Building Community Room

Introductions and Welcome: David Aschenbrenner, Chair, opened the meeting at 6:32pm. Present: Interim Chief Steve Bartol, Milwaukie Police Department, City Councilor David Hedges, City Operations Director Gary Parkin (Staff Liaison), HCNDA Parks and Gardens Director Sarah Smith, Linda Hedges, HCNDA Secretary-Treasurer, Lars Campbell, Vice Chair, Mary Weaver, PSAC Representative, Wally Bischoff, Chris Ortolano, Ruby Inman, Darlene Albertson, Steve and Bonnie Rand, Glen Ropella, Frank Lamp and Pat Rolison. Introductions were made.

Milwaukie Police Update:

- Interim Chief Bartol reported that there had been a report of a possible child or children falling through the ice in the pond in Minthorn Springs Park. Both MPD and Clackamas Fire responded. A man had heard the children playing, heard the ice cracking and then screams for help. He ran to Dollar Tree to report the incident. First responders responded immediately but by then the children had extracted themselves and had gone home. A father of one of the children finally came to report all the kids were ok.
- He reported that the department is recruiting for a replacement records specialist and in the meanwhile Lake Oswego and Portland records specialists are helping out. The department is conducting oral boards for two patrol personnel authorized for hiring. That would still leave the department two officers down plus the administrative assistant position. There need to be background checks done and the two officers hired will hopefully be able to enter the next academy in either January or February. Interim Chief Bartol will be serving for at least 3 months until a decision is made about replacing Chief Jordan.
- Chief Bartol was asked about the aggressive Kirby salesmen reported around the neighborhood. He said that some companies have Portland metro business licenses so this may be a legitimate company. But aggressive sales or other behavior that concerns householders should be reported to 9-1-1 so police officers can respond immediately and make sure the individuals are legitimate. As in all incidents that concern citizens, calling immediately will allow the police to check it out and gather information.
- This is the season that burglars are more active, car thieves as well. Keep packages concealed inside vehicles or take them indoors, make sure homes are locked and watch out for neighbors' and package deliveries by FedEx or UPS as well.
- The Police Department's non-emergency phone number is 503-786-7500.
- For those neighbors interested in knowing the crime stats, they can go online at <http://portlandoregon.gov/police> and review the crime mapping section. A person can enter Milwaukie addresses for information because we share a system with Portland and other area police agencies. You can also enter your email to receive this information by email monthly.
- Chief Bartol was asked about the case load for Code Compliance Officer Salyers, as he is the only officer we have doing this job right now. Bartol said that he is able to catch up some during winter months but many complaints can lead to more than one issue and he is working to clear his case load. Compliance is still a reactive role rather than proactive at this time. One tool being used is that our water department notifies Tim Salyers when water is shut off in a house so that the location can be watched for squatters.
- A house located at 42nd and Jefferson was specifically identified as a nuisance location with vehicles blocking the ability to see at the corner and tarps covering the roof.
- Aschenbrenner asked about vehicles parked long-term on the street without moving. Chief Bartol asked for people with those concerns to call him at the 503-786-7500 number to report location and vehicle descriptions including license numbers, so that they can have an officer check it for violations. Inoperable vehicles on private property are covered under the Municipal Code and should be referred to Code Compliance.

City Liaison Gary Parkin

- Winter Solstice is December 14th and the Christmas Ships will be arriving at the Riverfront at about 5:30 but the bonfire starts at about 4:30 and food and drinks will be for sale by Lewelling NDA.
- Quiet Zone work is done except for a little landscaping.
- There was a comment about the ends of the Quiet Zone divider not being bright enough; suggestions were made to add more reflectors or markings of some kind before the dividers. The Q Zones have to meet Federal Railroad Administration standards.
- A couple of neighbors mentioned that the street width at 37th and Railroad leaves some confusion about which lane to take to turn right or left.
- There are several city boards and committees with vacancies; citizens are encouraged to spend a couple of hours each month helping on one of these important public committees.

Treasurer's Report – Linda Hedges reported that we have a balance of about \$6,400 after CCG commitment and the BEACON project commitment.

Minutes from November 11th, 2013 meeting: Sarah Smith moved and Steve Rand seconded a motion to accept the minutes; the motion carried.

Oregon Passenger Rail Project: Jim Cox, ODOT Project Manager, will be at our February meeting to discuss the alignment options.

The Monroe Street Greenway project had its first meeting last week and consultants are in the process of designing how the street could be redesigned to slow traffic so it is safer for pedestrians and bicyclists to use it. Although the design does not necessarily mean taking parking off the street, the project WILL look at the location of the right of way and improvements along the street. It was requested that in particular the city should notify all those who live on Monroe of the project and their opportunities to comment and contribute to this project. MONROE RESIDENTS: if you are concerned about this project please attend the upcoming meetings!! And visit the website <http://www.milwaukieoregon.gov/planning/monroe-street-neighborhood-greenway-concept-design-project>, for more information.

Moving Milwaukie Forward – Lars Campbell Lars reported nothing new has happened and the next meeting is in March.

Homewood Park and Campbell Community Garden: Sarah Smith reported that the Garden has donated about 1300 pounds of produce this year. The cold weather has put an end to most of the vegetables. Kale and cabbage are still ok. It's been too cold to even go and check it out.

Boards and Commissions reports:

- PSAC is planning a Wellness/Preparedness/Security Fair on May 10th. A Business Ready seminar will be held in March with a follow-up workshop for local business owners to help plan for recovery following a disaster.
- Mary Weaver reported that CFD#1 will be putting on Operation Santa to raise money and bring in toys, coats and blankets and food for the needy during the Christmas season. Fire trucks will drive throughout the city (IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD DECEMBER 11th WED.)
- The Officer of the Year Recognition Dinner is February 27th. Wally Bischoff moved and Darlene Albertson seconded a motion to grant \$250 to the dinner. Approved unanimously.
- There was a speed data analysis report submitted for 40th and Adams but it appears that the digital sign may have been posted somewhere else for part of the period so Linda will request an updated data set for next month. Particularly we want to gather information on traffic volume and speed during before, during and following the detour during QZ construction on 37th and Railroad.

Other Business:

Christmas door prizes were distributed and Christmas goodies from The Painted Lady were enjoyed by all.

January's meeting: A representative from North Clackamas Parks and Recreation Board will attend.

There was no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm

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